

In the Specification:

Please **replace** the paragraph at **page 11, lines 16 to 20**, with a replacement paragraph amended as follows:

On the receptacle connector body 110, the pair of latch arms 130, 130 extend directly from the receptacle connector body 110 outward in the depth direction from two locations being spaced from each other in the width direction. Each latch arm 130 is made of an elastic member and ~~[[can]]~~ is adapted and constructed to undergo elastic deformation in the width direction.

Please **replace** the paragraph at **page 11, line 21 to page 12, line 3**, with a replacement paragraph amended as follows:

As shown in Fig. 6, each latch arm 130 is provided with a retaining part 131 projecting inward in the width direction at an outer free end of the latch arm 130 extending in the depth direction. The retaining part 131 is provided with a guiding part 131a that generates a component force acting outward in the width direction from a pressing force acting on the guiding part 131a from the side opposite to the counterpart member in the thickness direction, a fixed side width fitting face 131b facing inward in the width direction, and a fixed side depth fitting face 131c facing inward in the depth direction.

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